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Categorical Exclusion
Film Permit on Campbell Tract
Nerland Agency
(AA-085773)
(AK-040-05-CX-008)

Location:

Seward Meridian, T. 12. N., R. 3 W., Section 2, NW $\frac{1}{4}$

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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION (CX) FORM

CX No.: AK-040-05-CX-008

Lease/Serial/Case File No.: AA-085773 (2920)

Proposed Action Title/Types: Filming a Television Commercial on Campbell Tract

Location of Proposed Action: BLM Campbell Tract – T. 12 N., R. 3 W., within Section 2
NW¼, Seward Meridian, Alaska

Description of Proposed Action:

The Proposed Action is to authorize Nerland Agency, the permission to film a television commercial on the Campbell Tract. The commercial would feature two cross-country skiers and a film crew of 3-4 people. The exact location on the Campbell Tract is Mile 1.1/Campbell Airstrip Trailhead and a 600 foot radius around this trailhead. The filming would take place on Wednesday, February 2, 2005 from 3-5 pm. All equipment would be hauled on site by foot or sled from the trailhead parking lot. No snow machines or ATV's would be used.

Applicant: Nerland Agency, Anchorage AK

PART I - PLAN CONFORMANCE REVIEW

This Proposed Action is subject to the following land use plan: Southcentral Planning Area Management Framework Plan

Date Plan Approved: March 1980

The Proposed Action has been reviewed for conformance with this plan (43 CFR 1610.5, BLM MS 1617.3).

Remarks: Objective L-1 of the plan, states the BLM will "satisfy...private demonstrated needs for the land as they arise." This objective applies to the proposed action, as the applicant is a private company in need of a place to film a commercial; therefore the proposed action is in conformance with the plan.

PART II - NEPA REVIEW

A. Categorical Exclusion Review.

This Proposed Action qualifies as a categorical exclusion under 516 DM 2, Appendix 1. or 516 DM 11.5, E-19. *Issuance of short-term (3 years or less) rights-of-way or land use authorizations for such uses as storage sites, apiary sites, and construction sites where the proposal included rehabilitation to restore the land to its natural or original condition.* The proposed action is a short-term land use authorization. The proposed action would not cause any surface disturbance. In turn, this would result in the area being in its original condition upon commencement of the activities.

B. Departmental List of Extraordinary Circumstances Review.

The following Departmental List of Extraordinary Circumstances apply to individual actions. Departmental instructions mandate that environmental documents **MUST BE PREPARED** for actions which may: (Mark applicable answer for each item. If "yes", prepare an EA/EIS and append this form to it.)

- | | | YES | NO |
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| 1. | Have significant adverse impacts on public health or safety. | ___ | ___ <u>X</u> ___ |
| 2. | Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (Executive Order 11990); floodplains (Executive Order 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas. | ___ | ___ <u>X</u> ___ |
| 3. | Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources [NEPA Section 102(2)(E)]. | ___ | ___ <u>X</u> ___ |
| 4. | Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks. | ___ | ___ <u>X</u> ___ |
| 5. | Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects. | ___ | ___ <u>X</u> ___ |
| 6. | Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects. | ___ | ___ <u>X</u> ___ |
| 7. | Have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places as determined by either the bureau or office. | ___ | ___ <u>X</u> ___ |
| 8. | Have significant impacts on species listed, or proposed to be listed, on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant impacts on designated Critical Habitat for these species. | ___ | ___ <u>X</u> ___ |
| 9. | Violate Federal law, or a State, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment. | ___ | ___ <u>X</u> ___ |
| 10. | Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or | | |

minority populations (Executive Order 12898). _____ X

11. Limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on Federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (Executive Order 13007). _____ X

12. Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act and Executive Order 13112). _____ X

I certify that none of the Departmental Extraordinary Circumstances listed in the above Part B (516 DM 2, Appendix 2) apply to this action.

Preparer(s): /s/ Natalie Cooper Date: 02-01-05

PART III – DECISION

I have reviewed this plan conformance and NEPA compliance record and have determined that the proposed project is in conformance with the approved land use plan and that no further environmental analysis is required. It is my decision to implement the project, as described, with the mitigation measures either identified below or stipulation(s) attached in this case file.

Authorized Official: /s/ Clinton E. Hanson Date: 02-01-05